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Re: Werner Church Bridge Replacement Project PID 81282

Dear Resident:

Thank you for attending our public involvement meeting on October 25, 2012 at the Plain Township Hall. The meeting was regarding a proposed replacement of the bridge over the Middle Branch of the Nimishillen Creek on Werner Church Rd. and associated roadway work.

At that meeting, members of our engineering staff and our engineering consultant presented three alternatives for your comments and questions. Over forty people attended the meeting, and fifteen written comments were received by our office.

Based upon engineering considerations presented at the meeting, as well as project cost and public input received, our office has selected Alternative 3 as the preferred alternative for this project. We have modified this alternative slightly to make every effort to eliminate the taking of the residential structure on the Henkel parcel just to the south of the proposed intersection with Middlebranch Avenue. As we proceed with final design activities we will coordinate with the owner of that parcel and make every effort to avoid a total take of that residential structure.

All of the comments we received from the public involvement meeting are posted on our website. Additionally, our office has prepared a summary response to those comments which is also posted on our website. Please go to www.engineer.co.stark.oh.us and go to the project tab on the left. The Werner Church Bridge project will be the first pull down, and the information described above can be found at this location

Our office will schedule a Commissioners Viewing and Hearing to review the detailed project plans based on the preferred alternative. This meeting will occur in the fall of 2013. At this meeting we will present to the public detailed design plans for the project. Currently, the project is scheduled for construction beginning in the spring of 2015.

Sincerely,

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